

HA-1373

1894

Carver-Hopkins House
136 E. Broadway
Bel Air
private

This is one of Jacob Bull's best small Queen Anne houses. Applied decoration in the gable peaks vies with shaped shingles and the triple, double, or single Queen Anne windows for interest. The house is basically a rectangle with a west two story bay window, but the gable treatments give it a varied look. The Victorian mantle of painted slate in the living room is also of interest.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Carver House

AND/OR COMMON

Gertrude Hopkins House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

136 E. Broadway

1st

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Bel Air

VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES, RESTRICTED☐ YES, UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Gertrude Hopkins

Telephone #: 838-3971

STREET & NUMBER

136 E. Broadway

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21014

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two and a half story shiplap-sided Queen Anne house is at 136 East Broadway in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. Irregularly shaped, the house has a center hipped roof with three projecting gables (east, south, and west). The rear (north) elevation shows a shed kitchen with a shed porch behind that. In the center of the shed kitchen a second story gable roof portion rises. This contains the back staircase and two closets and is probably an addition. The roof is covered in asphalt shingle. Two chimneys add to the roof interest: in back (north) is a tall plain stove chimney to the east of the staircase addition. The chimney for the living room fireplace rises to the west in front where the front (south) gable meets the hipped roof. Most of the windows in the main two floors are 2/2 double hung sash framed in louvered shutters. The window in the stairwell (east elevation) is a Queen Anne Variant: a large center pane with framing mullions making four small corner panes and longer strips in between. In the gables, combinations of Queen Anne windows (9/1 double hung sash) occur. The west gable has one; the south gable has three as a unit. The gables are also decorated. In the point are sunburst carvings unique in Bel Air. Alternating rows of shaped and plain shingles complete the gable treatment. Shingles also cover the east third of the second story over the porch.

A hipped roof porch carried on Doric columns shades the first story front (south). The balustrade has turned balusters. The entrance is composed of a single pane transom over a glass and panel door. A two story hexagonal bay window is in the north bay of the west elevation. It terminates in the west gable. The bay window lights the dining room.

Attached to the kitchen shed is a shed roof porch (see above). The west two thirds of it is screened. Plain posts support this section. A stock turned post is at the east (unscreened) end. The deck to the cellar is under this portion.

The first floor interior has three major rooms. One enters directly into the living room. To the right (east) is a closed run dog leg staircase with square paneled newels and square balusters. As with other Queen Anne staircases; the dog-leg is on the first floor perpendicular to the wall. The fireplace is against the north wall and to the west of center. It has a Victorian mantel of painted slate. The rest of that wall and the west wall to the window has bookshelves. To the north is the dining room, lighted by the bay window. That completes the main block of the house. The shed addition to the north is one half (east) modern kitchen. The west half is hall and pantry. The back staircase rises in the north wall of the hall.

On the second floor are three bedrooms and a bath. The third story (attic) has two rooms and a storage section.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1894

BUILDER/ARCHITECT ~~ARCHITECT~~ Jacob Bull

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This elegant Queen Anne style house on Broadway is unique in Bel Air for the sunburst carvings on the three gables (west, south, and east elevations). It was built in 1894 by Jacob Bull, Bel Air's Master builder, for Harry S. Carver, the deputy clerk of the Harford County Court. Carver purchased the lot that year from Thomas Robinson (80/104) for \$500.

By 155/104 Carver sold it to Charles W. Cairnes in 1917 for \$5000, \$2000 cash and Cairnes assumed the \$3000 mortgage (to James Wilson 1915, 148/358). In 1923 Cairnes sold it to Laura and Fannie Cain (181/284). Laura Cain left her half to Fannie by her will (1921, 22/114), and Fannie Cain sold the house to John H. O'Neill in 1953 (388/379); she retained a life estate. In 1960 the O'Neills sold it to James and Gertrude Hopkins (108/305). Gertrude Hopkins now owns the house (925/51) and lives there. She is an English professor at Harford Community College.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harford Democrat

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #319 in the Town of Bel Air,
144.5' x 199.95'

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M. Larew, Architectural Historian

9 May 1979

ORGANIZATION

Town of Bel Air

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

39 Hickory

838-8700

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland 21014

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
21 STATE CIRCLE
SHAW HOUSE
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1373

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:
Gertrude Hopkins House

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:
Harry S. Carver House

PRESENT USE: private residence

ORIGINAL USE: private residence

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:
Jacob Bull

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:
Excellent (X) Good ()
Fair () Poor: ()

THEME: Architecture

STYLE: Queen Anne

DATE BUILT: 1894

COUNTY: Harford

TOWN: Bel Air

LOCATION: 136 E. Broadway

COMMON NAME: Gertrude Hopkins House

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Private residence

OWNER: Gertrude Hopkins

ADDRESS: 136 E. Broadway
Bel Air, Maryland 21014

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes () No () Restricted (X)

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local (X) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone () Brick (X) Concrete () Concrete Block ()
2. Wall Structure
 - A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon ()
 - B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - C. Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:
3. Wall Covering: Clapboard () Board and Batten () Wood Shingle () Shiplap (X)
Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal () Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle ()
Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: Other:
4. Roof Structure
 - A. Truss: Wood () Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - B. Other:
5. Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ()
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys (X) Sheds (X) Ells ()
Wings () Other: 2 story bay

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip (X) Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()
Other:

Number of Stories: 2½

Number of Bays: 3 x 2

Approximate Dimensions:

Entrance Location: Broadway

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat (X) Zoning () Roads ()
Development () Deterioration ()
Alteration () Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive (X) Negative ()
Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Shingles in gables e, w, n
 2/2 windows, plain surrounds, wooden louvered shutters
 porch: Doric posts, turned balustrade
 2 story bay window middle bay w. elev
 entry 1 pane transom over glass & panel door
 Gables carved sunburst over shingles 1 Queen Anne window w
 3 in front (s) 2 in e
 shingles cover east bay in front
 screened in porch, stock posts, n elev behind shed (kitchen)

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

Board & batten garage NW corner of lot gable roof
 board & batten stable north of that, gable roof

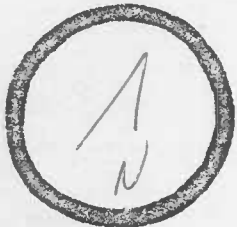
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Dining room built in cupboard east wall
 Victorian mantel painted slate no hall
 closed string staircase sq. newel
 dog-leg

2 rooms in attic

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



X

chance

E. Broadway

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
 Moderately Built Up() Densely Built Up()
 Residential(X) Commercial(X)
 Agricultural() Industrial()
 Roadside Strip Development()
 Other:

M. Larew

RECORDED BY:

Town of Bel Air

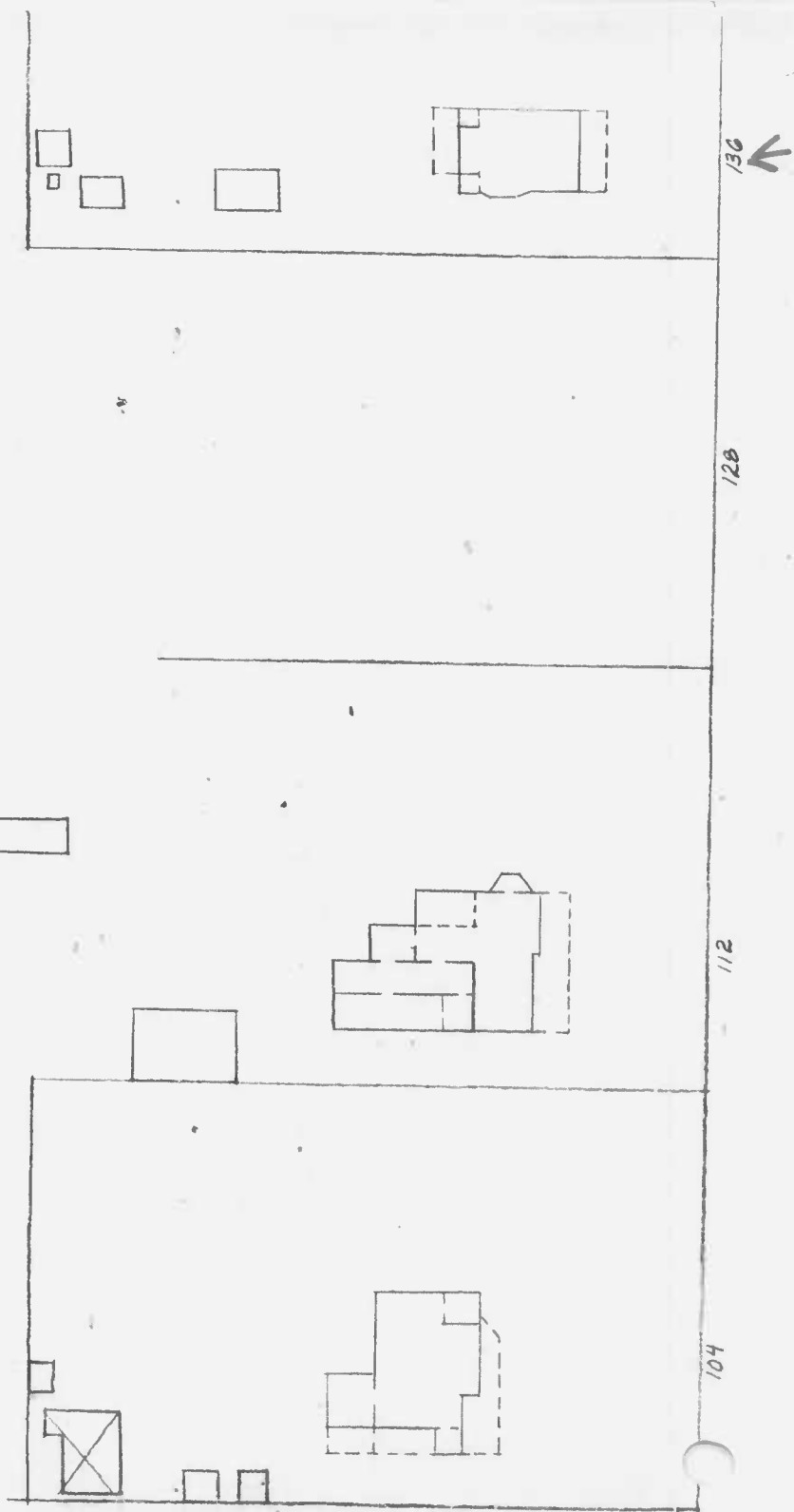
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1 August 1979

DATE RECORDED:

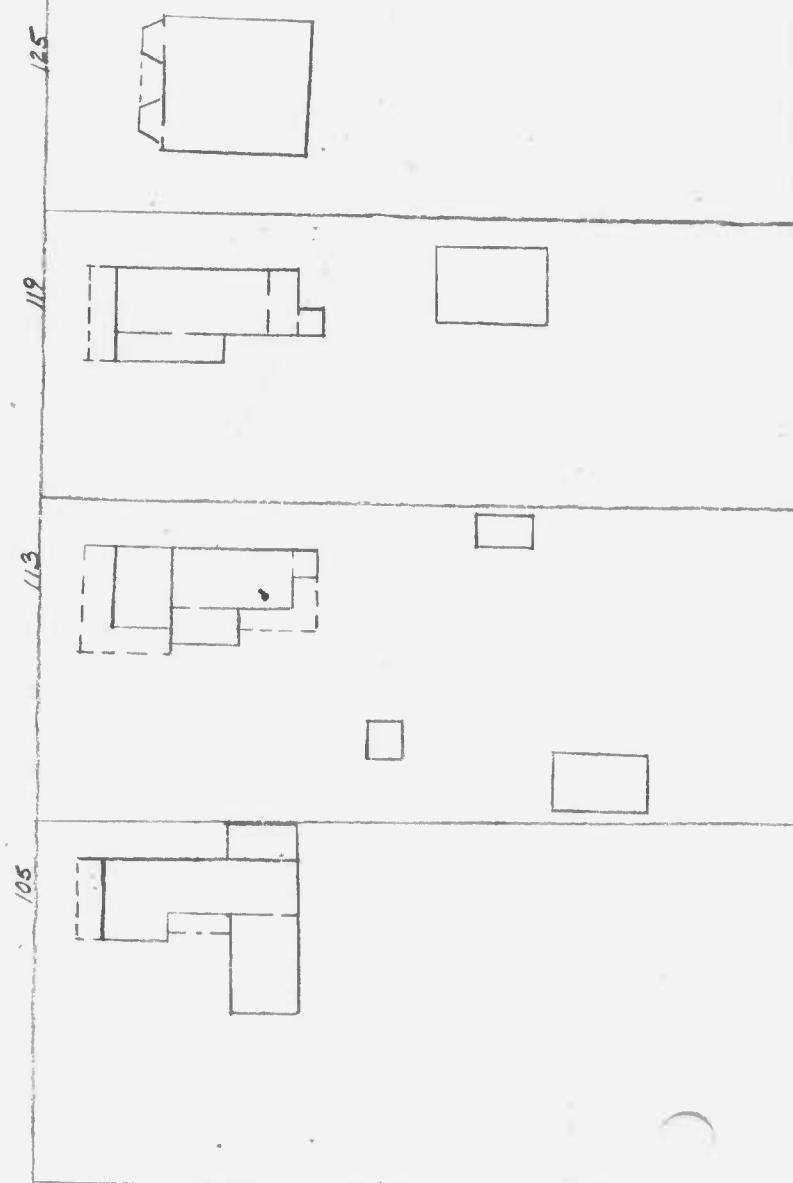
TITLE: GERTRUDE HOPKINS HOUSE
136 Broadway

925/51	19 April 1973 Zero, Inc. to Gertrude M. Hopkins 144.5' x 199.95'
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558/305	29 September 1960 John H. O'Neill & Lois, wife to James H. Hopkins & Gertrude, wife
388/379	22 January 1953 Fannie Cain to John H. O'Neill & Lois, wife Cain reserves a life estate
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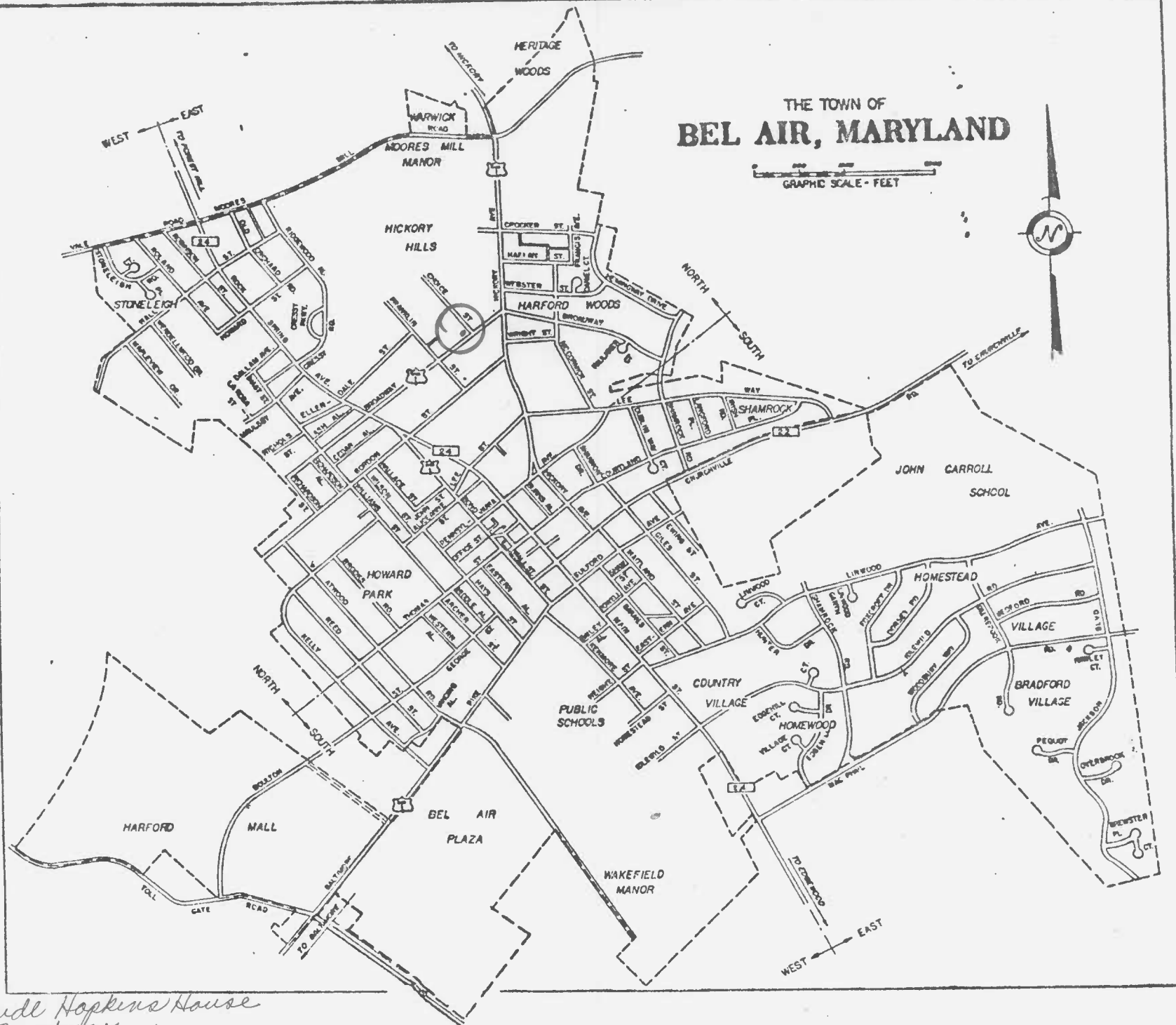


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 Corner - Hopkins House
 136 E. Broadway
 Belair, Md.

HA-1373
 1930 Sanborn Map



GRAPHIC SCALE - FEET



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Gertrude Hopkins House
136 Broadway
Bel Air



HA-1373

Gertrude Hopkins House, 136 E. Broadway

Bel Air

e. elev

M. Lacroix, 1979



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6 ext. rude Hopkins House, 136 E. Broadway
Bel Air

w + s elev

M. Larew, 1979



LA-1373

Gertrude Hopkins House, 136 E. Broadway

Bel Air

n. elev

M. Larew, 1979